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FOR THE SECRETARY; ARA AMB TODMAN

FROM OASGA

EO 11652: GDS
TAGS: PORG SHUM PAS
SUBJ: COMMITTEE I STILL WORKING ON HUMAN RIGHTS

1. WORKING GROUP CONCLUDED SIX PM WITH CONSENSUS ON SLIGHTLY
CHANGED VERSIONS OF RESOLUTIONS ON ANNUAL REPORT AND REPORT
ON CHILE BUT COULD NOT REACH AGREEMENT ON THREE ITEM 22 RESO-
LUTIONS AND REFERRED THREE DRAFTS TO COMMITTEE I.

2. MEETING IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER AND STILL IN SESSION AT TEN
PM, FULL COMMITTEE ACCEPTED WORKING GROUP-APPROVED RESOLUTIONS
ON ANNUAL REPORT AND REPORT ON CHILE.

3. SECRETARIAT THEN PRESENTED DRAFT RESOLUTION TAKING NOTE
OF IAHRCS FIFTH REPORT ON CUBA, PREPARED BEFORE LAST OASGA
BUT NOT CONSIDERED AT SANTIAGO AND ADDED TO GRENADA AGENDA
BY PERMANENT COUNCIL TO BALANCE OTHER HUMAN RIGHTS REPORTS.
VARIOUS DELEGATIONS (PAN, JAMAICA, T/T, BARBADOS) OBJECTED
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TO REPORT ON GROUND CUBA NOT PRESENT TO DEFEND ITSELF
OTHERS, CUS, CR, CHILE) ARGUED IAHRCS HAS AUTHORITY TO
STUDY HUMAN RIGHTS IN EVERY COUNTRY OF HEMISPHERE, THAT
CUBA REMAINED A MEMBER OF THE OAS AND HAD NEVER
DENOUNCED ITS CHARTER. ROLL CALL VOTE TAKEN 12 IN FAVOR
OF RESOLUTION, NONE AGAINST, 10 ABSTAINING--SINCE 13 VOTES
REQUIRED FOR PASSAGE, RESOLUTION TAKING NOTE OF REPORT

DID NOT PASS IN COMMITTEE BUT IF NICARUGUA, BOLIVIA,
HONDURAS ARE PRESENT AT PLENARY TOMORROW, IT MAY GET
REQUIRED 13 VOTES.

4. DEBATE CONTINUED UNTIL 1030 PM ON THREE ITEM 22 HUMAN
RIGHTS RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED BY COLOMBIA, ARGENTINA
AND US/VEN/CR/DR, NOW ADHERED TO BY PANAMA, GRENADA,
MAMAICA, BARBADOS, AND TRINIDAD/TOGAGO.

5. PERU AND MEXICO PROPOSED AMENDMENTS DEALING PRIMARILY
WITH ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL ASPECTS OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN COLOMBIAN
RESOLUTION. CHILE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE RESOLUTION
SPONSORED BY THE US ET AL, ADDING CONSIDERATION OF TERRORISM
AND WORKING METHODS OF IAHRC. SEVERAL DELEGATIONS WERE
UNABLE TO UNDERSTAND OR DIGEST THESE SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES
IN TIME TO VOTE THIS EVENING SO IT WAS DEFERRED UNTIL
TOMORROW MORNING.

6. COMMENT: COLOMBIA'S RESOLUTION TAKES PRECEDENCE BECAUSE
FONMIN LIEVANO INSCRIBED IT PRACTICALLY UPON ARRIVAL.
MEXICO IS NOW TRYING TO GAIN FAVOR WITH ALL SIDES BY
AMENDING COLOMBIA'S RESOLUTION TO POINT THAT IT SATISFIES
A LARGE NUMBER OF OTHER DELEGATIONS. THIS IS AN UN-
FORTUNATE AND UNNECECESSARY DEVELOPMENT WHICH NEVER WOULD
HAVE HAPPENED HAD MEXICO STOOD BY CO-SPONSORS OF SEVEN
POWER RESOLUTION, AS WE HAD UNDERSTOOD MEXICO WOULD
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PROSPECTS ARE MISCEDED: WHILE WE REGARD IT AS UNLIKELY,
OUR RESOLUTION COULD FAIL AND COLOMBIA'S COULD PASS
BUT IT IS ALSO ENTIRELY POSSIBLE THAT BOTH WILL SUCCEED,
OR THE IDEAL THAT OUR RESOLUTION WILL PASS AND
COLOMBIA'S FAIL.
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